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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Chiyo AKAMATSU *et al.*  
Serial No. : 09/381,401  
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For : AV APPARATUS, METHOD FOR USING THE APPARATUS, AND AV SYSTEM (As Amended)  
Group AU : 2614  
Examiner : Michael W. Hoye  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 18 June 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

In accordance with the revised format in the manner of making amendments under 37 CFR §1.121 as set forth in the Final Rule effective 30 July 2003, each section of amendment herein begins on a new page, and changes are shown by strike-through (or double brackets where appropriate) and underlining to indicate deletions and additions, respectively. A complete listing of all claims ever presented in the application is given with the current status of each claim, and only the text of all pending and withdrawn claims is presented in full, with those not being amended herein being presented in clean version.

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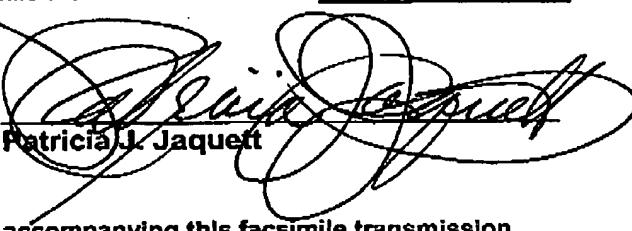
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Applicant hereby submits the attached AMENDMENT (22 pages) for entry in the above-noted application.

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